

REMARKS

Claims 2-7, 12-17, 22-27, and 31-39 are now pending in the present application. By this response claims 1, 11, and 21 are canceled and their features incorporated into respective dependent claims 31, 34, and 37 and claims 2-7, 12-17, 22-27, 31, 34, 36, and 37 are amended. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

Amendments were made to the specification to correct errors and to clarify the specification. No new matter has been added by any of the amendments to the specification.

I. 35 U.S.C. § 102, Anticipation: Claims 1-7, 11-17, and 21-27

Claims 1-7, 11-17, and 21-27 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by *Porras et al.*, Network Surveillance, U.S. Patent No. 6,321,338, November 20, 2001 (hereinafter "*Porras*"). This rejection is respectfully traversed.

However, in order to take the most easily allowable claims, independent claims 1, 11, and 21 have been cancelled and their features incorporated into respective dependent claims 31, 34, and 37. All remaining dependent claims have been amended to depend on claims 31, 34, and 37 respectively. This rejection is now moot.

II. Objection to Claims

The examiner has stated that claims 31-39 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. In response, the claims have been rewritten to overcome this objection.

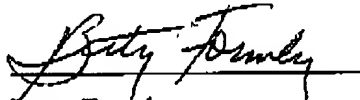
III. Conclusion

It is respectfully urged that the subject application is patentable over the cited references and is now in condition for allowance.

The examiner is invited to call the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number if in the opinion of the examiner such a telephone conference would expedite or aid the prosecution and examination of this application.

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